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Remote Engagement Program

CATEGORY: Rural and remote Australians

The Community Development Program (CDP) will be replaced by the Remote Engagement Program as announced in the 2021-22 Federal Budget. This measure extends the start date of the full rollout of the Remote Engagement Program from 2023 to 1 July 2024.

The Remote Engagement Program aims to provide improved employment pathways and economic opportunities for people in remote communities. Its development will be informed by lessons learnt from pilots conducted in 5 remote regions.

The extension allows sufficient time for communities participating in the pilots to co-design and test elements of the new program. This will provide greater opportunity to:

- trial alternative approaches
- assess how these approaches benefit remote job seekers
- ensure the design of the new Remote Engagement Program is informed by community needs and priorities.

The Community Development Program (CDP) will continue until the full rollout of the new Remote Engagement Program on 1 July 2024.

This measure is not subject to the passage of legislation.

Who does this measure affect?

This measure affects job seekers participating in the CDP in remote regions of Australia.

When will this start and finish?

This measure is ongoing until the full rollout of the Remote Engagement Program on 1 July 2024.